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1. SEYCHELLES PRESIDENT ALBERT RENE ARRIVED IN PEKING SATURDAY AND WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT BY CHAIRMAN HUA AND VICE CHAIRMAN LI HSIEN-NIEN. LI HOSTED A BANQUET FOR HIM THAT EVENING AND HELD TALKS WITH RENE YESTERD6.
2. BRITISH AIR MARSHAL CAMERON VISITED SHENYANG SATURDAY, WHERE HE WAS HOSTED BY MILITARY REGION COMMANDER LI TEH-SHENG. HE RETURNED TO PEKING YESTERDAY AND WAS RECEIVED BY CHAIRMAN HUA.
3. VICE PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING MET SATURDAY WITH MARIN CERTINIC, ACTING CHAIRMAN OF THE YUGOSLAV SOCIALIST ALLIANCE, A ROUGH COUNTERPART TO CHINA'S CPPCC. CETINIC HAS BEEN HOLDING TALKS WITH POLITBURO MEMBER ULANFU.

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4. AN NCNA COMMENTARY SATURDAY DENOUNCED THE RECENT ADMINISTRATION DECISION TO DELAY THE WITHDRAWAL OF US TROOPS FROM KOREA. IT STATED THE US GOVERNMENT HAD FAILED TO KEEP ITS PROMISE, AND THAT THE WHOLE TROOP PULLOUT PLAN WAS "EVIDENTLY ONLY A GESTURE TO MITIGATE THE PRESSURE FOR US TROOP WITHDRAWAL" AND A PRETEXT FOR STRENGTHENING S. KOREAN FORCES.

5. TENG HSIAO-PING PRESIDED YESTERDAY OVER A "TEA PARTY" FOR VISITING OVERSEAS CHINESE, AT WHICH KENG PIAO, CHEN MU-HUA AND LIAO CHENG-CHIH WERE PRESENT. IN HIS SPEECH, LIAO STATED THAT "LARGE NUMBERS" OF CHINESE HAD RECENTLY "HASTILY" RETURNED TO CHINA FROM VIETNAM, AND THAT THE PRC WAS "CONCERNED" ABOUT THIS. THE REFUGEES ARE EVIDENTLY A RESULT OF THE RECENT CRACKDOWN ON PRIVATE BUSINESSMEN IN SAIGON.

6. KUANGMING DAILY ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY IT WOULD HENCEFORTH CONCENTRATE ON ARTICLES DEALING WITH SCIENCE AND EDUCATION, WHILE RETAINING SOME PIECES OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND CULTURE. POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC NEWS WILL NO LONGER BY CARRIED ON A REGULAR BASIS.

7. A CONFERENCE OF MODEL WORKERS HELD IN PEKING APRIL 27-29 WAS ADDRESSED BY ICE PREMIER YU CHIU-LI.

8. VICE PREMIER FANG YI MET YESTERDAY WITH PROFESSOR LEE C. TENG, AN AMERICAN SPECIALIST IN HIGH ENERGY ACCELERATORS.

9. VICE PREMIER LI HSIEN-NIEN HOSTED A BANQUET YESTERDAY FOR MASAO SHIMZU, HEAD OF A JAPANESE BALLET TROUPE.

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10. DEFENSE MINISTER HSU HSIANG-CHIEN YESTERDAY EVENING GAVE A BANQUET FOR VISITING TUNISIAN DEFENSE MINISTER FARHAT.

10. PEOPLE'S DAILY YESTERDAY CONFIRMED THERE WOULD BE NO LARGE-SCALE FESTIVITIES IN THE PARKS THIS MAY DAY. HOWEVER, SPECIAL MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL PERFORMANCES ARE BEING STAGED IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS. NCNA ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE SHELLING OF QUEMOY WILL BE SUSPENDED MAY 1.
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